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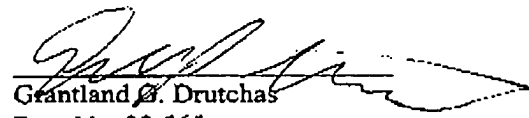
Sir:

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached papers for the above-identified patent application:

- ☒ Amendment and Response After Final Rejection
☒ Declaration of Todd Nykerk

2. **GENERAL AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE OR CREDIT FEES:** Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2490. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.3. **CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8(a).** The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper, as described in paragraph 1 hereinabove, are being transmitted to the USPTO facsimile number 703/872-9306, according to 37 CFR 1.6(d) addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, ATTN: Examiner Choi, on this 16th day of March 2004.Respectfully submitted,
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Dear Sir:

Please amend the application as shown below. Claim Amendments begin on page 2 of the Amendment. Please amend claims 1, 12, 16-18, cancel claims 31-34, and add new claim 35. Remarks are found on page 6 of the Amendment.